

However, he was convinced to take a more active role in the Ball Corporation by his brother-in-law, Edmund, one of the founding members of that company.

By then, John had earned an MBA from the Harvard Graduate School of Business, and with a keen business intellect, he quickly became a prominent figure in the Muncie business community and all across our State.

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While serving in various capacities for Ball Corporation, John W. Fisher distinguished himself as a risk-taker. Richard Ringo, former Ball Corporation president, noted John's performance once, saying, "This company has grown because John Fisher was willing to take calculated risks. He has been willing to immerse himself in details that a lot of executives would simply avoid."

John was elected to serve as corporate vice president in 1963 and by 1970 was named president and CEO of the Ball Corporation. By the time he retired as chairman of the board, Ball Corporation had experienced a period of rapid growth, significant diversification of its products; and thanks to John Fisher's leadership, that year Ball Corporation's annual sales exceeded a billion dollars.

Retirement wouldn't mark the end of his civic contributions to the community or his entrepreneurial spirit. Until his death, John W. Fisher served as chairman of the Cardinal Health Care Systems, trustee of DePauw University, director and former president of the Indiana Chamber of Commerce, a life director of the National Association of Manufacturers, and a benefactor and booster of Ball State University.

Never one to let a good business opportunity pass by, John relied on his experience and remarkable insight to become involved in one project after another. When asked about his approach to business, John said, I take major risks. I don't hesitate to take a very careful look at fresh ideas, especially when capable people are associated with the idea.

It was that entrepreneurial spirit that led John to become involved with so many different industries. From furniture companies to fish farms and many things in between, John Fisher simply seized life with both hands.

Madam Speaker, John Fisher will also be renowned for his business acumen, but also remembered by friends and colleagues and those close to him as a kind-hearted man with a deep commitment to the community.

The Fishers donated millions of dollars to Ball State University, establishing the John and Janice Fisher Chair in Exercise Science and created the Fisher Distinguished Professorship in Wellness and Gerontology. Until his passing, he served on the national campaign committee for Ball State Bold: Investing in the Future—which is the university's fundraising campaign.

Upon learning of his passing, the president of Ball State University said that John W. Fisher's commitment to Ball State University had been "unequaled in the university's 90-year history."

More recently, to honor his service, Ball Memorial Hospital dedicated the John W. Fisher Heart Center in January 2009.

Now, many will remember John W. Fisher for these business undertakings and the rest, but I will remember him as a dear friend and a mentor. I first met John Fisher back in 1988 when I entered public life. Since that time, our relationship has been a continuous source of wisdom and guidance to me.

While he had no political ambitions for himself, he had a lifelong interest in public affairs and was keenly aware of the issues facing the country. As an active participant in the Muncie Rotary—and every time I showed up there he always had a good question to ask in public—but I'll most cherish the privilege of having spent innumerable occasions sitting in John's office and learning from him about the world and business and public life, and drawing on his wisdom, his faith, and his integrity. John Fisher shaped my life and my career in countless ways.

John W. Fisher personified everything that's great about the United States of America. He was a strong, principled leader, generous philanthropist, devoted family man, and he was always willing to take a stand for what he believed in.

Blessed with a wonderful family, John Fisher is survived by his wife, Janice, their seven children, 19 grandchildren, and 28 great grandchildren.

The Bible tells us that "the Lord is close to the brokenhearted," and so is my prayer for his extended family and community of friends today.

Madam Speaker, one of my favorite John Fisher quotes is: "Ride hard, shoot straight, tell the truth, and be good to your fellow man." And that's how he spent his 93 years on this Earth.

Indiana lost a giant—and in John W. Fisher I lost a cherished friend. And it's been my privilege to pay tribute to him on the floor of the House this evening.

STATEMENT IN MEMORY OF STEVE STREATER

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. JONES) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. JONES. Madam Speaker, I rise today in memory of Steve Streater, who passed away in Asheboro, North Carolina, on June 20, 2009, at the age of 50. I extend to all of his friends and family my deepest sympathy for their loss.

Many North Carolina residents will remember Steve as a University of North Carolina football hero, who helped lead the team to the 1980 Atlantic Coast Conference ACC title. What

some might not know is that Steve was a star player in both baseball and football as a student at Sylva-Webster High School.

As a baseball pitcher, he set North Carolina High School Athletic Association baseball records that still stand today—with a reported 12 shutouts in a season, 23 wins in a season, and 61 career wins. He also had eight no-hitters.

Steve was a good student and like his brothers Eric and Jimmy, he went on to play football for a Division I college, the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

At the University of North Carolina, Steve became the only ACC player in history to earn all-conference honors at two positions. He was a first-team punter and safety for the 1980 Tar Heels football team, the last to win an ACC championship.

During his senior season, he had five interceptions, including three in the season closer against Duke University. Steve was also the defensive Most Valuable Player of the 1980 Bluebonnet Bowl, with an interception that set up the winning touchdown against Texas.

Sadly, after his triumphant season, Steve's athletic career abruptly ended when he was involved in a freak car accident. In April of 1981, he was returning home from a tryout with the Washington Redskins. Hours after he agreed to sign a free agent contract, his car hit a slick spot, slid into an embankment, and was hit by another car. He suffered a back injury in that accident and was left paralyzed from the waist down for the remainder of his life. I remember that the Washington Redskins thought so much of Steve, they still paid his signing bonus after the injury.

Although Steve could no longer impress fans with his skills on the field, he made an even greater difference as he served as a role model for countless young people. From this tragedy, Steve became an inspiration to high school students throughout North Carolina. In addition to coaching, he was appointed State field coordinator for SADD, Students Against Drunk Driving, which launched in North Carolina in 1983. His car accident was not alcohol related, but in this role he was not only an inspiration to students, but to people like me.

While serving in the North Carolina General Assembly, I had the privilege and honor of introducing Steve several times when he spoke to student groups in my district. I am certain that he benefited from the love and support of his family and friends because, despite his accident, he never showed the pain of what he had lost.

Steve touched many of us young and old in such a positive way that his life will never be forgotten by those of us who had the privilege to know him. Steve Streater was an outstanding individual and he will be dearly missed.

REVISIONS TO ALLOCATION FOR HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from South Carolina (Mr. SPRATT) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. SPRATT. Madam Speaker, under section 423(a)(1) of S. Con. Res. 13, the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2010, I hereby submit an adjustment to the budget allocations for the Committee on Appropriations for each of the fiscal years 2009 and 2010. Section 423(a)(1) of S. Con. Res. 13 permits the chairman of the Committee on the Budget to adjust discretionary spending limits for overseas deployments and other activities when these activities are so designated. Such a designation is included in the bill H.R. 3082, Making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and for other purposes. A corresponding table is attached.

This adjustment is filed for the purposes of section 302 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, as amended. For the purposes of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, as amended, this adjusted allocation is to be considered as an allocation included in the budget resolution, pursuant to section 427(b) of S. Con. Res. 13.

DISCRETIONARY APPROPRIATIONS—APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE 302(A) ALLOCATION

(In millions of dollars)

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Current allocation:		
Fiscal Year 2009	1,482,201	1,247,872
Fiscal Year 2010	1,086,660	1,306,614
Changes for overseas deployment and other activities designations:		
H.R. 3082 (Appropriations for Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies):		
Fiscal Year 2009	0	0
Fiscal Year 2010	1,399	145
Revised allocation:		
Fiscal Year 2009	1,482,201	1,247,872
Fiscal Year 2010	1,088,059	1,306,759

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Indiana (Mr. BURTON) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. BURTON of Indiana addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from South Carolina (Mr. INGLIS) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. INGLIS addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Kansas (Mr. MORAN) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. MORAN of Kansas addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

IN MEMORY OF WILLIAM LOUIS ISSA

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gen-

tleman from California (Mr. ISSA) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. ISSA. Today is July 7, 2009. Today would have been the 24th birthday of my own nephew, William Louis Issa. Last week, I attended his funeral.

He had a connection to this House because he worked both in Cleveland, his home, and here in Washington for his Congressman, DENNIS KUCINICH. In his passing, I lost a nephew; Cleveland lost somebody who cared about the environment, who was passionate about wolves in the wild, who in fact had graduated from college and was going on to law school to be an environmentalist, to seek what liberty allows us in this country, which is the right to feel and do what you think is right for your country.

I speak from this side of the center of this body and I speak about somebody who I disagreed with on many policies. As a young man, while he was summering here and staying at our home, he wanted me to know that the eating of meat was wrong and that if I wasn't a vegetarian, then I wasn't getting it. And he admired DENNIS KUCINICH, who's a lifelong—or at least as an adult person—a vegan. And he on a host of other issues felt so strongly. But, most of all, he felt strongly about the individual liberties, particularly his.

Now his choice was a Prius and his choice was in fact to try to do and be everything for a sustainable ecology as he saw it. So when I thought about coming and using his nexus here to the House floor tonight to speak on what would have been his 24th birthday, I thought it appropriate to say that from the left—and he certainly was a child of the left; perhaps a child of the sixties reborn in a next generation—and from someone on the right, I wonder if we shouldn't come together the way this young man did with everyone he met and talk in terms of America's liberty.

What in fact is this body doing—not to pass new laws. That wasn't what we were sent for. But to defend the inherent constitutional obligations: Life, liberty, the pursuit of happiness.

I believe that he ended his life far too soon and without accomplishing what he would have, had he lived longer. But tonight I will tell you that I'm brought to the House floor for perhaps only the third or fourth time in 8 or 9 years to say that those on the left and those on the right, we need to recommit ourselves.

At a time when we're talking about regulating CO₂, where we regulate the highways, the waterways, where we're looking at an 8 percent tax on health care to pay for the new health care proposal, while so much of what we once thought of as the free wild, wild west of the United States has been changed, particularly post-9/11, I wonder if this wouldn't be a good time for men and women of good conscience on both sides of the aisle to say: Shouldn't we relook at every liberty? Shouldn't we

form a liberty caucus? Shouldn't Congress be dedicated to ask the question not as Republicans or Democrats, but in fact as Americans sworn to uphold the Constitution?

Isn't it time we start looking at every single law we passed and the regulation they produced and find out how many of them we could do without—not liberal laws, not conservative laws, but all of them. I believe that that is the highest calling for those of us here in Congress.

I will tell you tonight, perhaps as a small tribute to my nephew, that I will reach out and I will ask every Democrat I see and all of my colleagues on this side of the aisle: What have we done in fact to defend liberty? What have we done to give somebody the right to decide they want to spend three months with wolves in the wild or that they want to in fact go out and save our delicate ecosystem from the unnatural twisting that 300 million people here in America bring upon the world.

That liberty is important. It's important that we pay tribute to it every chance we have, and can.

Madam Speaker, I want to thank you for the opportunity to, in a small way, talk about liberty and a man who would have fought for it.

DRAINING THE SWAMP OF CORRUPTION

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 6, 2009, the gentleman from Iowa (Mr. KING) is recognized for 60 minutes as the designee of the minority leader.

Mr. KING of Iowa. As always, I appreciate the privilege to be recognized here on the floor of the House of Representatives. We have had a little bit of a break here, a hiatus to go back home and spend some time on the 4th of July to celebrate the birth of our great country—233 years of freedom.

A lot of that freedom has been debated, deliberated, and argued over here on the floor of the House of Representatives in this world's greatest deliberative body. The most costly freedom was fought for and lives and blood were sacrificed for on this soil and in foreign lands as well for this Nation to emerge at what has been and had become a strong and vibrant constitutional Republic. Part of the requirements to maintain that strong and vibrant constitutional Republic are that we engage in debate here and that we bring together and aggregate the best ideas of the 300 million Americans that elect the 435 Members of the House of Representatives and the 100 Senators.

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It's essential that we maintain that kind of vibrant dialogue in this deliberative democracy, as some would call it. It's essential that we maintain the highest levels of integrity in order that this great Republic can continue on the path that has been charted for it by so